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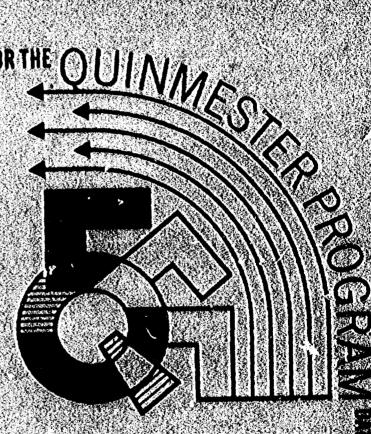
This unit of instruction deals with a study of South Florida as an ecosystem. Consideration is given to meteorological features, geological foundations, chemical analyses, and biotic communities characteristic of South Florida. A major attribute is the development of monographs about the unique natural wealth of the lower South Florida peninsula. It is required that a student should have satisfactorily completed course work in biology equivalent to one year before taking this course. Relevant state-adopted texts are listed in the booklet. It provides performance objectives and the course outline and suggests laboratory exercises, student projects, demonstrations, field trips, and quest speakers. Particular emphasis is placed on the use of monographs, and suggested topics with specific instructions are provided. Also listed are relevant films, slides, and models from the Dade County Audiovisual Center. Supplementary references are recommended, and a master sheet is provided relating each suggested activity to the specific performance objectives. (BB)



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INTRODUCTION TO SOUTH FLORIDA ECOLOGY

COURSE DESCRIPTION

An introductory course providing a survey of South Florida as an ecosystem. Consideration is given to meteorological features, geological foundations, chemical analyses, and biotic communities characteristic of South Florida. A major attribute is development of monographs about the unique natural wealth of the lower South Florida peninsula.

ENROLLMENT GUIDELINES

This is for the serious biology student who has satisfactorily completed course work in biology equivalent to one year.

STATE ADOPTED TEXTS

- 1. Biological Sciences Curriculum Study. <u>High School Biology:</u>
 BSCS Green Version 2nd, Ed. Chicago: Rand, McNally and Co., 1968.
- 2. Biological Sciences Curriculum Study. Biological Science: Interaction of Experiments and Ideas A BSCS Second Course. Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey: Prentice-Hall, Inc., 1965.



PERFORMANCE OBJECTIVES

- 1. Students will illustrate the concept of an ecosystem in a small pond or lake using interdependence and causal relationships.
- 2. Given the major constituents of an ecosystem: abiotic substances, producers, consumers, and decomposers, students will apply them to characteristics of the South Florida ecosystem.
- 3. Given a transect section of South Florida from the east to west coasts, students will identify measurable climatological and meteorological phenomena.
- 4. Students will observe, measure, record and forecast the weather phenomena of a specified environmental area of South Florida.
- 5. Students will distinguish between the rock deposits and soils of South Florida which is part of the Coastal Plain physiographic region.
- 6. Students will identify the Biscayne equifer by describing the four equifers in Plorida.
- 7. Students will analyse how the Kissimmee-Okeechobee-Everglades Basin affects the water dynamics in South Florida.
- 8. Students will investigate diurnal changes of water in South Florida using pH, gas content, and salts as determining factors.
- 9. Through a field study, students will investigate and record the interfacial action of soil and water at one foot sea level.
- 10. Students will gather data on a minimum of one community in <u>each</u> of the following categories:
 - A. Saugrass, other sedge and grass prairies.
 - B. Cypress heads and strands.
 - C. Sloughs and alligator holes.
 - D. Palmetto and pinelands.
 - E. Hammocks
 - F. Mangroves
 - G. Turtle grass and other marine communities.
- 11. Through experimental design, students will synthesize information which will describe a South Florida community.
- 12. Students will investigate, develop and write a minimum of one monograph on any student-selected topic of South Florida ecology.



COURSE OUTLINE

- I. South Florida as an Ecosystem
 - A. Location
 - B. Forces Causing Change
 - G. Characteristics
- II. Meteorological Features
 - A. Precipitation
 - B. Barometric Pressure
 - C. Temperature
 - D. Relative Humidity
 - E. Wind
 - P. Clouds
 - G. Marine Environmental Control
 - H. Local Variation

III. Geological Foundations

- A. Rock Deposits
 - 1. Limestone
 - 2. Sandatone
 - 3. Bryozoan rock
 - 4. Coral rock
- B. Characteristic Soils
 - 1. Peats and mucks
 - 2. Marls
 - 3. Sands
- C. Water Dynamics
 - 1. Biscayne aquifer
 - 2. Diurnal changes
 - 3. Water Qualities
 - a. pH
 - b. Alkalinity
 - c. Carbon dioxide
 - d. Oxygen
 - e. Total salts



IV. Interfacial Action between Soil and Water

- V. South Florida Communities
 - A. Suwgrass
 - B. Other sedge and grass prairies
 - C. Cypress heads
 - D. Strands
 - E. Sloughs
 - F. Alligator holes
 - G. Palmetto
 - H. Pinelands
 - I. Hammocks
 - J. Mangroves
 - K. Turtle grass
 - L. Any typical marine community

VI. Konographs



LABORATORY EXERCISES

Biological Sciences Curriculum Study. High School Biology: BSCS Green Version. 2nd Edition. Chicago, Illinois: Rand McNally and Company, 1968.

1. Interrelationships of Producers and Consumers (Ex. 1-5, p. 26)

2. Study of a Biotic Community (Ex. 3-1, p. 76)

3. Abiotic Environment: A Comparative Study (Ex. 3-2, p. 98)

4. A Study of Environmental Tolerance (Ex. 8-1, p. 254)

5. Temperature, Rainfall, and Biome Distribution (Ex. 8-2, p. 282)

6. Succession in a Freshwater Ecosystem (Ex. 9-1, p. 312)

Beakley, John and others. The Source Book of Marine Sciences. Tallahassee: Department of Education, 1970.

7. Beach Analysis (Parts I-VI, p. 23)

8. pH Determination of Sea Water (p. 23)

- The Determination of the Salinity of Sea Water: Refractometer Method (p. 39)
- 10. The Determination of the Salinity of Sea Water: Titration Method (p. 43)

11. Plankton (p. 61)

12. Light: The Importance of the Study of the Physical and Biological Properties of Light in Ocean Water (p. 139)

Dade County Public Schools. Ecology and Natural History of South Florida, Experimental Curriculum Bulletin 8B-2. Miami, Florida: Dade County School Board, 1970.

13. Progression Laboratory: Geology of South Florida (p. 12)

14. Testing Soil Hardness (p. 24)

15. Variety of Florida Rocks and Minerals (p. 30)

16. The Ability of Soil to Hold Water (p. 36)

17. Chemical Determination of Salinity in Sea Water (p. 37)

18. Meteorology (p. 52)

19. Standard Measurements of Clouds (p. 54)

20. Temperature, Dew Point, Relative Humidity (p. 58)

21. Wind Direction and Velocity (p. 61)

22. Barometric Pressure (p. 62)

23. Amount of Rainfall (p. 64)

24. Forecast Weather Conditions (p. 65)

- 25. Determining the Amount of Dissolved Oxygen in Water (p. 105)
- 26. Chemically Determine the Carbon Dioxide Content of Sea Water (p. 107)

27. Measure the Turbidity of Water (p. 114)

- 28. Samples of Green Algae as Representatives of the Group of Food Producers (p.132)
- 29. Constructing An Ecological Pyramid for a Water Hyacinth Community (p. 145)

Iawson, Chester A. and Paulson, Richard E. Laboratory and Field Studies in Riology - A Source Book for Secondary Schools. New York: Holt, Rinehart and Minston, Inc., 1960.

30. Animals At the Beach (Section I, Topic B, Study 1, p. 12)



31. A Method of Measuring Carbon Dioxide (Section IV, Topic B, Study 8, p. 141)

32. Carbon Dioxide Changes in an Aquatic Environment (Section IV, Topic B, Study 9, p. 143)

Storin, Diane. <u>Investigating Air, Land, and Water Pollution</u>. New York: Pawnee Publishing Company, Inc., 1971.

- 33. Locating Sources of Fresh Water (p. 60)
- 34. Testing the Hardness of Your Water Supply (p. 68)
- 35. Testing the Oxygen Content of Water Samples (p. 72)

<u>DEMONSTRATIONS</u>

- 1. How to collect and prepare soil samples.
- 2. Use of the Berlese funnel for collecting small soil animals.
- 3. Suggestions on the collection of water samples.
- 4. The Hydrologic Cycle
- 5. Apparatus for Limnology studies: Bottom grab, secchi disk, core, water bottle, plankton net, stream collector, et. al.
- 6. Determination of CaCO2 in sand samples.
- 7. Construction of Climographs.
- 8. Techniques for using the 24-hour clock.
- 9. Techniques for charting local current systems.
- 10. Technique for study of particle size in sedimentation rates.
- 11. Techniques for measuring turbidity.
- 12. Construction of a food chain by stomach analysis.
- 13. Methods of graphical representation of trophic level biomass relationships.
- 14. Preparation of herbarium mounts.



PROJECTS

1. Construct a partial food web for a South Florida Canal Bank.

2. The feeding habits of fish.

3. Determination of population size by the Lincoln Index Method.

Analysis of marine populations.

5. The decomposition of cellulose in an ecosystem.

- 6. The role of dissolved organic substances which are abundant in water and soil.
- 7. Field survey of one of the following:

Coral reef

Fresh water canal or river

Hammock

Mangrove area

A Florida key

Palmetto-pinelands

Beach flora-fauna

8. Cross mapping of vegetation in Big Cypress Swamp

MONOGRAPHS - TOPICAL SUGGESTIONS (See Special Instructions, p. 16)

- 1. Fires of South Florida: Location, Date, Severity and Significance
- 2. Fahkahatchee Strand: Logging and Fires, 1940-1970
- 3. Chemical Analysis of South Florida Surface Water
- 4. Water Control in Peat and Muck Soils
- 5. Pros-Cons of the Jet Port "The Leopold Report"
- 6. Local Variation of the Meteorological Features of South Florida
- 7. The Jet Port Dwarf Cypress Grove
- 8. Diurnal Changes in a Water Habitat
- 9. The Everglades: "Yo-yo" Effect from Artificial Manipulation of the Water Supply
- 10. Kissimmee-Okeechobee-Everglades Basin: Canals, Levees, Dikes and Dams, Their Effects 1881-1970
- 11. The Big Cypress Watershed and Its Impact
- 12. The Hydrologic Effects of the Pump Station S-140 and Levee L-100
- 13. Water Quality in Lake Tohopekaliga of the Kissimmee Lakes Chain
- 14. Predicting the Affects of Constructing Canals C-108, C-109, and C-110
- 15. What is a Jim Brevis (Cymnodimium brev's)?
- 16. Progress Report of the Everglade Kite
- 17. Impact of Sloughs: Okaloacoochee, Taylor, Shark River, and Others
- 18. The Saline Mangrove Crescent
- 19. Tropical Hardwood Hammocks: An Element in the Regional Landscape
- 20. The Food Chain of Swamp Life in a "Cator Hole"
- 21. The Role of Tidal Marshes in Estaurine Production
- 22. The Role of the Alligator in Shaping Plant Communities and Maintaining Wildlife in the Everglades
- 23. "Pa-hay-o-kee", Grassy Waters Its Relationship in the South Florida Ecosystem
- 24. Sawgrass Prairies of the Everglades
- 25. Forest Vegetation: Pinewoods, Hammocks, and Bayheads
- 26. Rare and Endangered Mammals: Florida Panther and Manatee
- 27. What is the Status? Florida Water Rat, Everglades Mink and American Osprey



28. Duck Rock - An Offshore Island Rockery

29. Saw Palmetto Rings - Mystery of the Everglades 30. Biscayne Bay - A Shallow Sub-Tropical Estuary

31. Thermal Pollution and Turkey Point 32.

Significance of the Strangler Fig. 33. Still, Sunny Water and the Water Hyacinths Caesar's Weed and Melaleuca - Arch Pests? 34.

35. Thermal Aquaculture

36. The Tropics: A Frontier in Meteorology

37. Life in Thallasia Beds

38. Birth of a Florida Key

39. Possilized Mangrove Reef

40. Life on a Key: Elliott, Kingston, Paradise, Big Pine, Arseniker or One of Your Choosing

41. Fresh Water Algae of South Florida

42. The Jet Stream and South Plorida Weather

43. South Florida Thunderstorms - A Meteorological Mystery

44. Atlantic Hurricanes - History of Reality

45. Why Don't Hurricanes Occur More Often? Changing Trends in Storms

46. Rainfall Frequency and Local Variation

47. Analysis of Tornadoes From the Kissimmee-Okeechobee-Everglades Basin Through the Florida Keys

48. Man - Changing the Local Weather

Mumerical Weather Analysis and Predictions in Broward, Dade, Collier 49. and Monroe Counties

50. Interdependence Around a Coral Reef

51. Fauna of a Sand Flat Habitat

52. The Coconut Crab (Birgus latro) - Is There a Habitat in South Florida?

Significance of Organic Compounds in Sea Water 53.

Comparison of Size Fractions Employed in Mineralochemical Analysis 54. And Physical Analysis of Soils Found in South Florida

The Rate of Growth of Periphyton in a Specified Area of the Big 55. Cypress Swamp

56. Waves and Reaches - The Dynamics of the Ocean Surface

57. The Gulf Stream Story

- 58. Trees of South Florida - Unique Communities and Interrelationships Habitat and Behavior of Endangered Bird Species of the Everglades 59.
- Characteristics, Niches, and Environmental Factors of the Red, 60. White, and Black Mangroves

61. Ecology of Lignum Vita Key

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63. Hurricane Donna - Ten Years Later

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66. Bird Rookeries of the Everglades

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Modification of Plorida's Normal Water Drainage Systems The Effects of Algal Blooms in the Ecology of the Everglades 72. A Study of Wild and Native Ferns of South Florida.

Solution Holes: A Geologic Feature of the South Florida Terrain 73. 74. The Ecology of Bear Cut

Characteristics and Significance of the Key Deer 75.

76. The Color Change of the Fiddler Crab: A Mystery of the Marshlands and Sandy Flats

77. A Study of the Florida Tree Smail (Liguus)

Survival Relationship of the Everglade Kite (Rostrhamus sociabillis) 78. and the Smail (Ampularia, sp.)

79. Florida Marine Shelling: Southeastern Atlantic and Gulf Coasts

Bird Field Study of a Selected Area, such as, .08

Miami Bayfront Park

Rickenbacker Causeway, Virginia and Biscayne Keys South Allapattah Farmlands (Old Cutler Road, Richmond Road, Deering Estate, Franjo Road, Galloway Road, Black Creek,

Coconut Palm Drive)

The Tamiami Trail and Loop Road

Everglades National Park

Greynolds Park Lower Keys Area The Dry Tortugas

Corksorew Swamp Sanctuary

81. The Saga of the Cross-Florida Barge Canal

FIELD TRIPS

1. Rickenbacker Causeway, Virginia and Biscayne Keys

2. Dade County Public Schools Environmental Education Center Area

The Tamiami Trail and Loop Road 3.

4. Everglades National Park: Florida City - Cape Sable 5.

Everglades National Park: Shark Valley Loop Road Everglades National Park: Everglades City - Chokoloskee 6.

7. Fahkahatchee Strand - Collier County

Jet Port Area (by permission and arrangement) 8.

9. Weather Bureau, Experimental Meteorology and National Hurricane Center Research Laboratories

10. Corkscrew Swamp Audubon Sanctuary - Naples, Florida

11. Lake Tohopekaliga - Kissimmee, Florida 12. Ten Thousand Islands and Marco Island

13. South Florida Flood Control Canals and Levees

14. Florida Power and Light Company's Turkey Point (by arrangement)

15. Plorida Keys: Elliott, Kingston, Paradise, Big Pine, Arsenicker, Lignum Vita, Long, Key West, Key Largo and others

16. Matheson Hammock

17. Black Point Park

18. Owaissa Bauer Park

19, Bear Cut

20. Greynolds Park

21. 22. Viscaya and Museum of Science Nature Trails

Area of Lake Okeechobee

23.

Miami and Homestead Bayfront Parks University of Miami Data-Collecting Stations in the Everglades 24. (by arrangement)

25.

Lover Keys Area Sanibel-Captiva Islands 26.

Fuch's Park - Homestead, Morida and Simpson Park - Miami, Florida

Cape Florida State Park

27. 28. 29. John Pennekamp State Park - Key Largo, Florida



30. Hugh Taylor State Park

31. Pahokee (Thirty Acres on U. S. 441)
32. Miami Central Senior High School Lake

33. Tropical Park Fresh Water Lake

34. Sewell Park

35. lake Apopka - Apopka, Florida

36. Selected Points Along the Miami River

SPEAKERS

- Dr. Leonard J. Greenfield, Chairman Department of Biology University of Miami
- 2. Mr. Leonard Pardue
 U. S. Weather Bureau
 Computing Center Building
 University of Miami
- 3. Mrs. Patti Amon
 Metropolitan Dade County
 Parks and Recreation Department
- 4. Tropical Audubon Society Speakers
 Arranged by Flora O'Brien 443-5418 (Telephone after 4:00 P. M.)
- 5. Park Rangers
 Arranged by contacting: Everglades Park Headquarters
 State Road 27
 Homestead, Florida
 Telephone: 247-6211
- 6. Arthur R. Marshall
 Center for Urban and Environmental Studies
 University of Miami
- 7. Mr. James Redford
 Mangrove Chapter
 Izaak Walton League of America
- 8. Speakers available from Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences. Write to: Public Information Office
 Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences
 University of Miami
 Rickenbacker Causeway
 Miami, Florida 33149
- 9. Speakers available from the U.S. Geological Survey
 Contact: Dr. Benjamin McPherson
 U.S. Geological Survey Water Resources Division
 51 S.W. 1st Avenue
 Miami, Plorida
 Telephone: 350-5382



10. Dr. William Woodley National Hurricane Research Laboratories Computing Center Building University of Miami

FILMS

Dade County Public Schools 16mm films available at Audio-Visual Services, Lindsey Hopkins Building

- Adventuring in Conservation AV# 1-10218, 131, C
- Animal Life Cycle, An (AIBS Pt. 5, No. 2) AV# 1-30539, 28', C
- Anyone for Diving AV# 1-30859, 301, C
- Amazing Central Florida
- AV# 1-12918, 14', C Birds of a Florida Marsh
- AV# 1-11196, 14', C Birth of a Florida Key
- AV# 1-12252, 18', C 7. Blessing From the Sea AV# 1-11022, 201, C
- The Enchanted Key
- AV# 1-02947, 101, 0 9. Fabulous Florida
- AV# 1-30949, 301, 0 10. Feathered Aristocrats (Local Song Birds) AV# 1-11199, 131, C
- 11. Florida AV# 1-04911, 101, C
- 12. The Florida Alligator AV/ 1-02885, 61, 0
- A Florida River: Its Wildlife (St. Lucie) 13. AV# 1-04923, 111, 0
- 14. Just Off Shore AV# 1-02958, 11', 0
- 15. Proviers of the Everglades AV# 1-30952, 261, C
- 16. Royal Birds of Florida AV# 1-029078, 101, C
- 17. Sea Turtles of Plorida AV# 1-11191, 141, 0
- 18. Snakes of Florida
- AV# 1-02877, 61, 0 The Story of the Sponge 19. AV# 1-11527, 101 BW
- The Wonderful World of Florida 20. AV# 1-12944; 151, 0
- The Everglades: Conserving a Balanced Community 21.
- AV# 1-13868, 151, 0 Animal Life at Low Tide 22. AV# 1-02696, 111, 0

- Partnerships Among Plants and Animals AV# 1-02657, 11', C
- 24. Life Along the Waterways AV# 1-02194, 11', C
- Animal Habitate 25. AV# 1-02370, 101, C
- 26. Balance in Nature AV# 1-11141, 17', C
- 27. Conserving Our Water Resources Today
- AV# 1-00426, 11', C Diversity in Form and Size 28. AV# 1-31535, 281, C
- 29. Interrelationships For Survival AV# 1-30558, 281, C
- 30. Strange Partners: Symbiosis in the Sea AV# 1-13718, 13', C
- Geography of Your Community AV# 1-04563, 101, C
- Waves on Water 32. AV# 1-10987, 16', C
- Origin of Weather 33. AV# 1-30376, 26', BW

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- 34.
- Around a Big Lake, 17', 0, IBF (\$7.00)
 Beach and Sea Animals, (Second Edition) 11', BW (\$2.00)
 Great Weather Mystery 27', BW, McGraw-Hill (\$5.75) 35.
- 36.
- 37. Plant-Animal Cummunities: Interrelationships, 141, C, Coronet (\$4.95)
- 38. Changing River, 16, C, IBF (\$5.80)
- 39. Energy Relations, 291, C, McGraw-Hill (\$7.95)
- Limnology, 291, C, McGraw-Hill (\$7.95) 40.
- Plorida: Wealth or Waste, 221, C, Southern Ed. (\$5.40) 41.
- Challenge of the Oceans, 27', C, McGrav-Hill (\$6.75) 42.
- 43. Marine Ecology, 291, C, McCraw-Hill (\$7.95)
- Weather, 11', BW, EBF (\$2.00) 44.
- Wildlife in a Southern Slough, 11', C, IFB (\$3.75) 45.

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- 1. Everglades National Park, C, 2 x 2 Slides AV# 5-20094, 14 Slides
- 2. Florida Birds and Wildflowers, C, 2 x 2 Slides
 AV# 5-70017
- 3. Key West, Florida, C, 2 x 2 Slides
 AV# 5-20021
- 4. Alligators, 11, 2 x 2 Slides
- 5. Swamp Scenery, 28, 2 x 2 Slides

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- 2. Florida Rocks and Minerals AV# 6-00129, C 18
- 3. Florida Shells, Set 1 AV# 6-00121, C 59
- 4. Florida Shells, Set 2 AV# 6-00052, C 19 (26p)
- 5. Florida Shells, Set 3: Univalve and Bivalve AV# 6-00159, C 72
- 6. Soils of Florida AV# 6-00032 C 8

SUGGESTED DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Does thermal pollution affect life in Biscayne Bay?
- 2. What position does periphyton occupy in the food chains of consumer organisms?
- 3. How would rapid thermal increases affect copepods?
- 4. What would happen if Dade County lost all of its water supply?
- 5. The pros-cons and alternatives of the Jet Port.
- 6. What effects does water control have on the peat and muck soils of the Everglades?
- 7. What is the Ploridan Plateau?
- 8. What is happening to the sea level right now?
- 9. Distinguish five types of hammocks.
- 10. Describe a "gator hole".
- 11. Discuss how fire is a major influence on land, much of which is submerged for half the year.
- 12. Compare flora and fauna of the West Indies with South Florida.
- Give reasons for the establishment of the Everglades National Park.
- 14. Discuss the seasonal cycle of rising and falling water as a dominant fact in the lives of all animals of the Everglades.
- 15. Describe the structure and distribution of coral reefs.
- 16. Trace biologically the evolution of the Florida Keys.
- 17. Discuss important climatic factors for reef and lagoon biology.

Beakley, John and others. The Source Book of Marine Science. Tallahasses: Department of Education, 1970.



- 23. p. 37 #1 5 pH of Sea Water
- 24. p. 49 #1 4 Marine Bacteriology
- 25. p. 70 #1 15 Plankton
- 26. p. 107 #1 6 Statistical Analysis
- 27. p. 136 #1 7 Feeding Habits of Fish
- 28. p. 138 #1 4 Salinity
- 29. p. 146 #1 4 Marine Populations
- 30. Describe the physiographic regions of Florida
- 31. What are the characteristic soils of Florida and the causes of their formation?
- 32. What is the role of dew in an ecosystem?
- 33. How could fluctuations in salinity affect the biological population in an area?
- 34. What steps can be taken to protect natural areas from destruction?
- 35. Discuss plant and animal succession from saw grass to the highest point in a hammock.
- 36. Discuss Greynolds Park as an ecological community and compare it to other Dade County Parks.
- 37. What are the advantages and disadvantages of a cross-Florida barge canal?
- 38. Analyze the Environmental Education Act, Public Law 91-516 as it relates to Florida.

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. It is expected a major contribution from this course will be a monography by students, either singly or in small groups.
- 2. A monograph is defined as a methodical, written discussion of the facts and principles involved and conclusions reached.
- 3. A list of topics for monographs are found on pages 7 9 of this course.
- 4. The components of a monograph should include:

TITLE PAGE - Include a title adequately describing the research, your name, name of your teacher, school location, and the date.

ABSTRACT - This is a summary of the results and conclusions presented in the monograph. In general, the abstract should not be longer than one page. Include the title, your name, school name, and date at the top of the page.

INTRODUCTION - Tell why the problem you selected was worth investigating and what the state of knowledge was at the time you undertook the problem.

PURPOSE - In particular, you should state clearly what you were trying to accomplish by your research.

METHOD - Include information on analytical procedures, statistics, experimental techniques, and other significant activities.

RESULTS - Present the data in an organized form. This is frequently done by means of graphs and tables. The data may be discussed in terms of its strengths and weaknesses. It may compare your results with those of others and suggestions for further investigations.

SUMMARY - State briefly what experiments you did, what the results were, and what conclusions you reached from these results.

REFERENCES - List all the references to the scientific literature made in the body of the report. Any one of several styles may be used in listing the bibliography.

- 5. The additional supplementary materials listed on page 19 are indicated as general resources because of the numerous articles and information available from each source. These resources will provide information and materials for monographs, field studies, and activities. Teachers may contact the sources directly or use the Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature in the library, Generally, information from the last 527 years only should be considered.
- 6. The student text references are to be considered for review of basic concepts rather than for major instructional emphasis since it is assumed students have had a year of biological study. These basics will need to be extrapolated to South Florida ecology.



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 National Audubon Society
 1130 Fifth Avenue
 New York, N. Y. 10028
- 2. ECOLOGICAL MONOGRAPHS
 Duke University Press
 Durham, N. C. 27706
- 3. FLORIDA CONSERVATION NEWS
 Florida State Board of Conservation
 Tallahassee, Florida 32304
- 4. FLORIDA WILDLIFE
 Plorida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission
 Tallahassee, Florida 32304
- 5. THE FLORIDA NATURALIST
 Florida Audubon Society
 P. O. Drawer 7
 Maitland, Florida 32751
- 6. SCIENCE
 AAAS
 1515 Massachusetts Ave., N. W.
 Washington, D. C. 20005
- 7. SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN
 Scientific American, Inc.
 415 Madison Ave.
 New York, N. Y. 10017
- 8. SEA FRONTIERS AND SEA SECRETS
 International Oceanographic Foundation
 1 Rickenbacker Causeway
 Virginia Key
 Miami, Florida 33149
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